

ART FOR CHANGE 2026

Youth-led | Arts-based | Civic action

Fostering Social & Emotional Learning, intercultural connections, & activism by empowering youth to address issues affecting their mental health, through chosen art media & to share their art work publicly, driving social change.

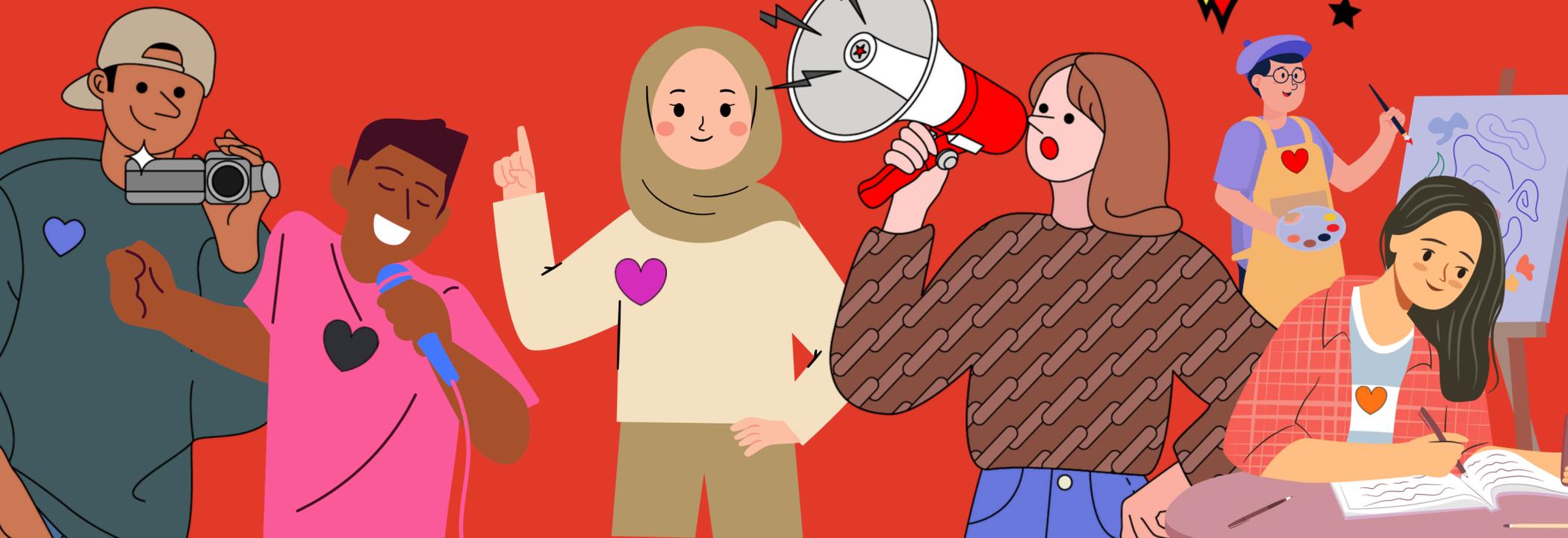
School Workshop Availability

Mondays: 13:30 - 15:30

Tuesdays: 10:00 - 15:30

Wednesdays: 10:00 - 15:30

Friday: 10:00 - 12:00



With online courses for teachers and volunteers followed by onsite school programmes, we empower young people to address an issue affecting their mental health, through a chosen art medium and to share their art work publicly to drive social change. It is delivered over 7 x 2 hr workshops culminating with a final presentation at the school.

REGISTER NOW!

Registrations close 30th March

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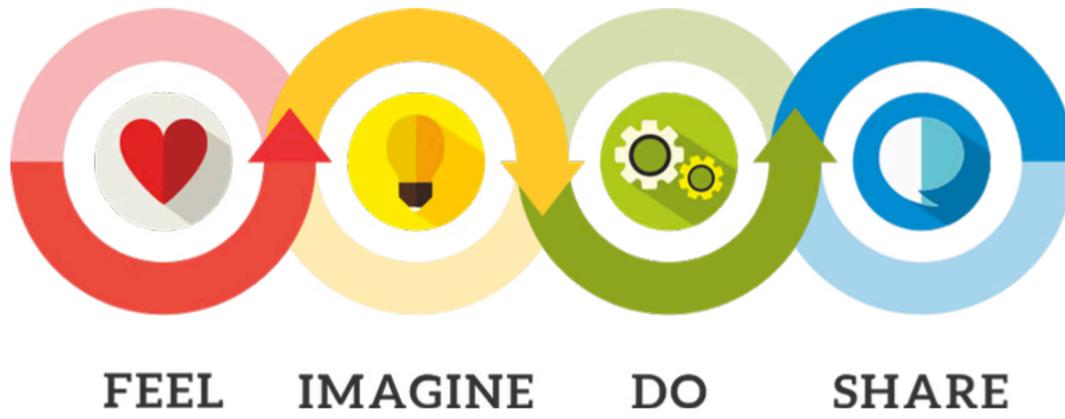
QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY BELFAST

School of Arts, English and Languages

Design For Change Global Movement

Art For Change is part of the globally awarded Design For Change (DFC) movement. Since 2010, DFC has empowered 2 million youth in 70 countries to be changemakers using our globally acclaimed FIDS framework (Feel, Imagine, Do, Share) to take action on issues they are affected by.

Youth-led projects are aligned to the UN Sustainable Development Goals and nurture youth wellbeing, leadership skills, intercultural connections and activism.



A. Overview by eduSOIL and DFC NI Founder, Juanita Rea



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q2KgYL8Q5RQ>

B. 2023 - 2024 Stories of Change from NI

<https://www.edusoil.com/artforchange2023.html>

<https://sites.google.com/edusoil.com/afc24virtualshowcase>

C. Stories of change from around the world



stories.dfcworld.org

Be The Change: Greece, November 26th - 29th 2026

Youth who participate in Art For Change 2026 and submit a story of change will be considered as NI representatives at the 2026 Be The Change Global Celebration in Greece this November.

Organized annually, the 'Be The Change' (BTC) celebration provides our young superheroes from across the world a platform to showcase their stories of change.

Participation does not guarantee selection, neither does it guarantee funding for the trip. It does open doors to the opportunity and eduSOIL will work with selected representatives to support their fundraising efforts.



In 2024, with a separate fundraising initiative, we enabled 3 youth from NI and 1 from Sudan to represent their countries at the Be the Change Global Celebrations Dubai.



DFC Global Student Council

Youth who participate in Art For Change 2026 and submit a story of change are also considered as DFC Student Council members. Watch this video of Karma Vyas DFC NI Student Council Member 2024 to learn how Art For Change opens up to fantastic global interactions and leadership opportunities for youth.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7erQt4PQ78w>